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The Warrant

To Elmer Webster, a Constable of the Town of Searsport, in the County of Waldo, Greeting:

In the name of the State of Maine you are hereby required by law, to notify and warn the inhabitants of the town of Searsport, qualified by law to vote in town affairs, to assemble at the Town Hall in said town, on Monday, the 6th day of March, instant, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon to act on the following articles, to wit:

Art. 1. To choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting.

Art. 2. To choose a Town Clerk for the ensuing year.

Art. 3. To see if the town will accept the reports of the Selectmen and Assessors as printed.

Art. 4. To see if the town will accept the report of the Auditor of town accounts as printed.

Art. 5. To see if the town will accept the report of the Superintendent of Schools as printed.

Art. 6. To choose three or more Selectmen.

Art. 7. To choose Assessors of Taxes.

Art. 8. To choose Overseers of the Poor.

Art. 9. To choose a Town Agent.

Art. 10. To choose a Town Treasurer.

Art. 11. To choose an Auditor of Town Accounts.

Art. 12. To choose Constables.

Art. 13. To choose a Road Commissioner, and to see what compensation he shall be allowed: or to choose Highway Surveyors.

Art. 14. To choose Surveyors of Sawed Lumber.

Art. 15. To choose Surveyor of Wood and Bark.

Art. 16. To choose Surveyors of Spars and Timber.

Art. 17. To choose Fire Wards.

Art. 18. To choose Fence Viewers.

Art. 19. To choose Sealers of Weights and Measures.

Art. 20. To choose Sealers of Leather.

Art. 21. To choose Viewers and Cullers of Hoops and Staves.

Art. 22. To see how much money the town will raise for the support of the Free High School.

Art. 23. To see if the town will instruct the School Committee as to the number of weeks, which the Common Schools may or shall be kept the ensuing year.

Art. 24. To see how much money the town will raise for the support of Common Schools.

Art. 25. To see if the town will raise $200 for the Superintendent of Schools.

Art. 26. To see how much money the town will raise for school supplies and incidentals.

Art. 27. To see how much money the town will raise for text books for schools.

Art. 28. To see how much money the town will raise to repair school houses.

Art. 29. To choose a member of the School Committee to serve three years.

Art. 30. To see how much money the town will raise for the support and care of the town library, building and grounds for the ensuing year.

Art. 31. To see if the town will vote to authorize the Carver Memorial Library Association to have the care of the town library, building and grounds for the ensuing year, or act thereon.

Art. 32. To choose a Truant Officer.

Art. 33. To see how much money the town will raise for the support of poor and other town expenses.

Art. 34. To see how much money the town will raise to repair highways and bridges, and how much to allow per hour for Labor.

Art. 35. To see how much money the town will raise to repair sidewalks.

Art. 36. To see how much money the town will raise to pay for road breaking and how much per hour the past winter.

Art. 37. To see if the town will raise $400 for State Road.

Art. 38. To see if the town will instruct the Selectmen to pay

no bills against the town to persons who owe the town for taxes.

Art. 39. To see if the town will raise $50 for a Memorial Service.

Art. 40. To see if the town will raise $1,280 for the use of Hydrants for the ensuing year.

Art. 41. To see how much money the town will raise to build a road from Norris Street, across land of Mrs. John Moore Norris to land of Clifton Jackson, as laid out by the Selectmen.

Art. 42. To hear the report of Fire Department.

Art. 43. To see if the town will instruct the Selectmen to buy 500 ft. of 2½ inch hose for Fire Dept., and how much money it will raise therefor.

Art. 44. To see if the town will instruct the Selectmen to buy 12 Rubber Coats for Fire Dept., also 12 Spanners and how much money it will raise therefor.

Art. 45. To see if the town will vote to maintain the present Hose Companies, and if so how much per hour, or year, or both, and how much money it will raise therefor.

Art. 46. To see if the town will instruct the Selectmen to locate and maintain an Elec. St. light on Maine Road near the residence of Capt. James Butman.

Art. 47. To see if the town will instruct the Selectmen to locate and maintain an Elec. St. light on Otis St., near the residence of Mr. E. K. Blake.

Art. 48. To see if the town will instruct the Selectmen to locate and maintain an Elec. St. light on Church St., near the Town House.

Art. 49. To see if the town will vote to take of the Searsport Electric Co., the incandescent electric lights located, at a cost not to exceed fifteen dollars per light per year, and how much money it will raise therefor.

Art. 50. To see if the town will vote to have the Public Buildings insured as before and how much money it will raise therefor.

Art. 51. To see if the town will vote to instruct the School Board to hire or elect a Superintendent of Schools from Searsport, Me., for the ensuing year.

Art. 52. To see what action the town will take in regard to the transportation of scholars.

Art. 53. To see if the town will accept the list of jurors as prepared by the Selectmen, Town Clerk and Town Treas.

Art. 54. To see if the town will allow discount on taxes paid on or before the first day of August next, and how much on or before Jan. 1st, 1912, and if allowed how much money it will raise for discount.

Art. 55. To see if the town will fix a date when the taxes for 1911, shall be paid in full.

Art. 56. To choose a Collector of Taxes.

Art. 57. To see if the town will instruct the Selectmen to locate and maintain an Elec. St. light on Station St., about half way from the present light to the station.

Art. 58. To see if the town will continue the present arrangement for the union of towns for schools.

Art. 59. To see what action the town will take in regard to installing a heating plant in Union School House and how much money it will raise therefor.

The Selectmen hereby give notice that they will be in session at their office on Saturday the 4th day of March, instant at one o'clock in the afternoon for the purpose of revising and correcting the list of voters.

Given under our hand at Searsport this 24th day of Feb., A. D. 1911.

FRANK I. MORTLAND,
CLIFTON WHITTUM,
JAMES P. NICHOLS,
} Selectmen of Searsport, Me.

REPORT OF ASSESSORS

Valuation of real estate, resident,	$388,470 00
real estate, non-resident,	177,845 00
personal estate, resident,	160,733 00
personal estate, non-resident,	10,675 00
Total valuation,	$737,723 00

Number of polls, 303.

Rate of taxation, .0215.

The following amounts were assessed on the polls and estate of the resident proprietors, and on the estate of non-resident proprietors in the town of Searsport for the year 1910, to be collected in cash by the collector of said town, for the following purposes:

For free High school,	$ 800 00	
common schools,	1,500 00	
desks for schools,	137 00	
supplies for schools,	100 00	
text books,	200 00	
repairs on school houses,	450 00	
support of poor and other town expenses,	2,000 00	
repairs of highway and bridges,	2,500 00	
repairs of sidewalks,	400 00	
breaking road the past winter,	500 00	
State road,	400 00	
Memorial services,	50 00	
electric lights,	570 00	
Water Co.,	1,280 00	
Hose Co.,	250 00	
Superintendent of Schools,	200 00	
		$11,337 00
County tax,	$1,169 10	
State tax,	3,726 24	
Overlay,	537 70	
		$16,770 04
Fractions in assessing,		11
		$16,770 15
Supplementary tax,		60 00
		$16,830 15

ASSESSED AS FOLLOWS

Real estate valued at $566,315 at .0215,	$12,175 77	
Personal estate valued at $171,408 at .0215,	3,685 27	
303 polls at $3.00,	909 00	
		$16,770 04
Fractions in assessing,		11
		$16,770 15
Supplementary tax,		60 00
		$16,830 15

ABATEMENTS

On taxes of 1908, total abatement,	$33 53

Respectfully submitted.

FRANK I. MORTLAND,
CLIFTON WHITTUM,
JAMES P. NICHOLS,
} Assessors of Searsport.

Report of Selectmen

RECORD OF SCHOLARS AND ACCOUNTS OF SCHOOL FUNDS FOR 1910

No. of scholars, 378.

COMMON SCHOOLS

Amount raised by the town, last meeting,	$1,500 00	
Mill tax and school fund from the State,	1,499 56	
Common Schools from the State,	1,195 29	
Damage to books, etc.,	1 31	
		$4,196 16
Teachers' salaries,	$2,228 85	
Janitors,	193 70	
Tuition,	37 75	
Transportation,	556 00	
Fuel,	277 85	
Deficit from 1909,	1,389 01	
		4,682 66
Making an overdraft of,		$486 50

FREE HIGH SCHOOL

Unexpended from last year,	$196 70	
Raised by the town,	800 00	
State aid,	500 00	
		$1,496 70
Teachers' salaries,		1,174 00
Balance due High School,		$322 70

BILLS ALLOWED BY SELECTMEN AND PAID BY THEIR ORDER ON THE TREASURER

COMMON SCHOOLS

Abbie Chase,	for teaching	Nichols,	$297 00
Lillias G. Ford,	"	Harbor,	231 00
Ethel Dodge,	"	Grammar,	310 00
Emma Nickels,	"	Mt. Eph.,	264 00
Priscilla Nickels,	"	Porter,	264 00
Ava Kingsbury,	"	No. Searsport,	120 00
Ever M. Holt,	"	" "	50 85
Louise Kingbury,	"	" "	88 00
Agnes A. Williams,	"	Primary,	150 00
Annie G. Gilkey,	"	Primary,	144 00
Ida B. McDonald,	"	Intermediate,	310 00
J. W. Brock,	conveying pupils to Union School,		160 00
John Innes,	" " "		145 00
Hollis F. Curtis,	" " "		15 00
S. L. Ridley,	" " "		224 00
Olive Reed,	"		12 00
W. E. Bowler,	janitor,		47 50
N. Roulston,	"		14 00
Harlon Stuart,	"		4 00
Eugene Curtis,	"		4 60
Philip Beach,	"		6 00
Emma Nickels,	"		11 90
R. B. Lowe,	"		20 50
Frank E. Hall,	"		4 20
Harold McElhenery,	"		10 00
D. R. Russell,	"		13 10
Hermon Curtis,	"		7 80
Lillias F. Ford,	"		12 50
Abbie Chase, ,	"		9 60
D. I. Robertson,	wood for No. 9,		25 00
D. I. Robertson,	" " No. 8,		22 50

Clifford Seekins,	wood for Union,	45 00	
Chas. U. Curtis,	" " No. 7,	3 00	
Lester Eaton,	" " Harbor,	15 00	
Chas. U. Curtis,	" " Porter,	10 00	
L. D. Littlefield,	" " Nichols,	16 50	
E. C. Pike,	" " Union,	4 00	
F. F. Floyd,	" " No. 7,	18 00	
Chas. A. Woods,	" " Union,	1 10	
F. F. Floyd,	" " No. 7,	12 00	
Chas. U. Curtis,	" " Park,	4 00	
W. A. Griffin,	" " No. 1,	5 00	
F. F. Floyd,	" " Porter,	30 00	
Geo. W. Partridge,	" " Union,	3 50	
H. E. Robbins,	" " schools,	1 50	
E. W. Thompson,	" " No. 8,	2 50	
Searsport Coal Co.,	coal for schools,	34 50	
Fred Ellis,	fitting wood for Union,	5 00	
Joseph Porter,	" " " schools,	3 00	
W. E. Bowler,	" " " Union,	1 00	
Geo. E. Sylvester,	" " " Harbor,	2 00	
Geo. Ausplund,	" " " Union,	3 25	
Mrs. W. E. Bowler,	cleaning school house,	1 00	
Mrs. F. W. Smart,	" " "	5 00	
Abbie Chase,	" " "	5 00	
F. E. Stinson,	paid for cleaning No. 9,	3 00	
City of Belfast,	tuition,	30 75	
Town of Stockton Springs,	tuition,	7 00	
Agnes A. Williams,	care of children during noon hour,	24 00	
			$3293 65

FREE HIGH SCHOOL

Alfred C. Blake,	as principal for weeks,	$ 840 00	
Edith M. Larrabee,	asst. " " "	120 00	
Louise Hall,	" " " "	30 00	
Gladys B. Pfaff,	" " " "	184 00	
			$1174 00

SCHOOL BOOKS

Silver, Burdett & Co.,	books,	$22 57	
American Book Co.,	"	15 36	
Educational Pub. Co.,	"	3 35	
Ginn & Co.,	"	62 16	
D. C. Heath & Co.,	"	19 47	
E. Hopkins,	"	9 50	
Palmer Co.,	"	11 34	
City of Belfast,	"	11 74	
Houghton, Mifflin Co.,	"	6 89	
Edw. E. Babb & Co.,	"	19 16	
Allyn & Bacon,	"	18 20	
Chas. Scribners' Sons,	"	50	
			$200 24

SCHOOL SUPPLIES AND INCIDENTALS

Alonzo J. Knowlton,	$13 58	
City of Belfast,	14 62	
Smith & Sale,	85	
L. E. Knott Apr. Co.,	66 95	
Library Bureau,	6 25	
Milton, Bradley Co.,	21 60	
		$123 85

SCHOOL DESKS

Kenney Bros. & Walkins, primary school,	$126 00	
J. L. Hammett & Co., teacher's desk,	13 00	
		$139 00

REPAIRS AND FURNISHINGS ON SCHOOL HOUSES

H. G. Peaslee, labor,	$ 5 63
A. L. Mosman, labor and material,	63 95
Searsport Heating Co., Union school house,	4 04
Geo. A. Bowen, labor on Union school house,	41 25
Alfred C. Blake, labor on Union school house,	2 90
Timothy Porter, drain for Nichols school house,	18 00
J. M. Ausplund, " " "	13 75

Thomas Rich, drain for Nichols school house,	15 00	
James B. Sweetser, painting "	56 85	
W. D. Smart, labor on "	14 00	
C. O. Sawyer & Co., hardware,	89 91	
Squires & Inkwell,	5 94	
A. E. Trundy, lumber, etc.,	52 52	
A. E. Trundy, lumber, etc.,	14 79	
Geo. E. Merrill, lumber,	21 82	
Michael Ward, labor on Union school house,	20 60	
Wilson N. Smart, labor on Porter school house,	59 15	
James B. Sweetser, labor on Nichols school house,	35 87	
Chas. Woods, labor on Union school house grounds,	16 50	
M. H. Nickerson, labor on No. 8,	5 00	
H. E. Robbins, wood for No. 8,	80	
A. E. Trundy, lumber,	17 20	
J. C. Durham, lumber,	1 75	
J. L. Hammett, supplies,	25 63	
R. N. Porter, labor on Union school house,	7 62	
F. H. Park, labor,	4 07	
E. W. Thompson, banking No. 8,	2 00	
A. A. Ausplund, trucking,	4 75	
F. A. Nye, chairs, etc.,	7 05	
R. B. Lowe, repairs, etc.,	2 60	
D. I. Robertson, repairs on No. 8,	3 00	
A. L. Mosman, labor,	75	
C. O. Sawyer & Co., hardware,	86 35	
Clement & Adams, supplies,	5 85	
	———	$726 89

About $200 of the above amount was expended for Laboratory for High school, required by law.

ROADS AND SIDEWALKS

Paid Atwood, Walter	for labor on roads,		$ 4 00
Ausplund, J. M.	"	"	38 55
Ausplund, A. A.	"	"	28 80
Ausplund, Geo.	"	"	12 00
Ames, Edmund J.	"	"	43 40
Ames, W. H.	"	"	47 40
Brock, J. W.	"	"	31 80
Blake, E. K.	"	"	23 20
Berger Mfg. Co., culverts,		"	26 60
Carr, H. J.	"	"	1 25
Curtis, Hollis F.	"	"	27 40
Curtis, Chas. U.	"	"	40 20
Curtis, Fred H.	"	"	7 00
Chase, B.	"	"	10 60
Colson, Eli	"	"	6 20
Clements, Edw. E.	"	"	21 00
Closson, L. P.	"	"	25 40
Closson, C. M.	"	"	4 50
Colcord, A. P.	"	"	8 00
Coleman, H. S.	"	"	21 22
Cunningham, J. L.	"	"	19 00
Downs, W. S.	"	"	90 80
Downs, John	"	"	3 00
Dow, W. N.	"	"	32 80
Dorr, Thomas E.	"	"	20 00
Decrow, F. P.	"	"	43 00
Decrow, Manter E.	"	"	14 50
Eastern Steamship Co., freight,			58
Eames, C. A.	for labor on roads,		12 00
Eaton, L. C.	"	"	33 20
Foot, Manley	"	"	9 85
Floyd, F. F.	"	"	19 80
Floyd, L. E.	"	"	7 00
Felker, H. H.	"	"	47 20
George, Levi D.	"	"	7 80

Gilkey & Son, W. R.	labor on roads,		24 15
Harriman, E. C.	"	"	3 00
Howard, Ellsworth	"	"	37 35
Hall, Raymond	"	"	3 60
Hill, John	"	"	34 80
Hill, C. F.	"	"	80 40
Innes, John	"	"	12 30
Jarrett, F. F.	"	"	10 60
Keen, Leonard	"	"	6 60
Knowlton, Frank	"	"	6 40
Ladd, John	"	"	13 20
Mortland, F. I.	"	"	72 00
Mortland, Ralph	"	"	27 00
Matthews, W. J.	"	"	28 85
Matthews, A. F.	"	"	1 80
Moody, E.	"	"	2 00
Merrithew, Archie	"	"	26 40
Maddocks, H.	"	"	9 80
Marden, James E.	"	"	25 00
Nickels, James	"	"	30 60
Nickerson, Louis	"	"	21 60
Nickerson, M. H.	"	"	3 60
Nickerson, S. G.	"	"	11 00
Nickerson, Augustus	"	"	4 00
Nickerson, Eugene A.	"	"	28 00
Nickerson, E. A. & J. M.		"	24 20
Nickerson, Joshua	"	"	5 00
Nickerson, Sumner J.	"	"	29 80
Nickerson, S. W.	"	"	4 80
Nickerson, Warren	"	"	4 00
Nickerson, David	"	"	16 50
Ordway, Miss M. A., gravel			6 85
Porter, Timothy for labor on roads			16 25
Porter, Chas.	"	"	10 00
Pendleton, A. S.	"	"	15 70
Park, N. N.	"	"	1 80

Parker, M. F.	for labor on roads,		9 50
Partridge, Geo. W.	"	"	17 20
Pierce, H. W.	"	"	1 00
Peaslee, M. H.	"	"	46 50
Reed, Geo. R.	"	"	11 00
Rich, Thomas	"	"	25 25
Rich, W. P.	"	"	3 00
Ridley, S. L.	"	"	12 00
Robertson, C. E.	"	"	19 90
Robertson, Jas. E.	"	"	3 30
Reed, H. A.	"	"	11 60
Robbins, H. E., plank,	"	"	12 74
Smart, W. D. for labor on roads,			10 80
Smart, Elden G.	"	"	17 20
Smart, J. W.	"	"	12 80
Smart, F. W.	"	"	3 60
Sylvester, Geo. E.	"	"	23 90
Sargent, E. A.	"	"	75 92
Sargent, W. P.	"	"	14 10
Sargent, Mial	"	"	28 20
Seekins, Cliff	"	"	17 00
Seekins, Geo.	"	"	21 20
Stone, Harold	"	"	10 20
Seekins, Chas. A.	"	"	9 10
Small, Fred A.	"	"	14 50
Stevens, G. H.	"	"	16 80
Stickney, E. S., material,			10 00
Sweetser, Alex. for labor on roads,			2 00
Searsport Heating Co.	"	"	17 98
Scribner, H. T.	"	"	5 15
Savery, E. L.	"	"	93 90
Towers, M. W.	"	"	44 00
Thompson, H. H.	"	"	5 80
Thompson, E. W.	"	"	26 10
Trundy, Chester M.	"	"	18 00
Whittum, Clifton	"	"	11 50

Ward, M. C.	for labor on roads,	30 20	
Ward, Peter	" "	8 00	
Woods, Charles A.	" "	79 20	
Whitcomb, O. W.	" "	30 10	
West, W. N.	" "	28 10	
West, W. H.	" "	7 50	
Webber, B. E.	" "	10 00	
			$2323 84

WINTER BREAKING

Paid Ausplund, J. M.	$ 2 80	
Black, Herbert, to pay for 1909 tax,	27 00	
Berry, Frank H.	80	
Clements, T. D.	2 00	
Card, S. J.	3 40	
Downs, W. S.	6 50	
Dorr, Thomas	2 80	
George, Will	6 00	
Gilkey & Son, W. R.	43 10	
Hill, C. F.	18 05	
Littlefield, John H.	12 60	
Moody, W. S.	9 50	
Nickerson, Eugene	11 00	
Nickerson, Charles A.	29 00	
Rich, Thomas	13 40	
Sargent, E. A.	9 60	
Stevens, James	2 00	
Trundy, Chester M.	3 20	
Ward, M. C.	6 90	
Woods, Chas. A.	10 20	
		$219 85

SIDEWALKS

A. M. Park, labor for 1909,	$ 8 60	
B. & A. R. R. Co., freight on plank,	21 05	
A. E. Trundy, lumber,	8 80	
Clifton Whittum, labor,	33 80	
Chesley Matthews, labor,	35 40	
Mial Sargent, lumber,	11 18	
Chas. A. Woods, labor,	25 20	
Geo. E. Merrill, lumber,	40 48	
L. M. Sargent, labor,	12 00	
Nicholas Parse, labor,	18 00	
E. C. Pike, plank,	36 00	
Warren A. Griffin, Jr., labor,	3 00	
H. E. Robbins, lumber,	11 00	
R. N. Porter, labor,	4 00	
Wilson N. West, labor,	6 40	
Morse & Co., lumber,	180 00	
Herbert Black, lumber, to pay for 1909 tax,	45 26	
E. L. Savery, lumber,	10 00	
E. K. Blake, labor,	1 50	
		$511 67

SUMMARY OF ROAD BILLS

Roads, labor,	$2,323 84	
Winter breaking,	219 85	
Sidewalks,	511 67	
		$3055 36
Plank on hand, about,		$60 00

STATE ROAD

F. I. Mortland,	labor,	$ 34 00
Ellsworth Howard,	"	12 50
George Ausplund,	"	35 00
Timothy Porter,	"	27 50
J. M. Ausplund,	"	37 75
Charles Porter,	"	30 00
Ralph I. Mortland,	"	46 00

L. P. Closson, labor,	27 00	
F. I. Mortland, logs,	30 00	
Charles Woods, labor,	14 40	
Wilson West, "	17 32	
Thomas Rich, "	39 25	
Miles W. Towers, "	20 00	
E. L. Savery, "	90 00	
H. H. Savery, "	30 00	
Charles F. Hill, "	64 50	
A. E. Trundy, "	7 20	
H. S. Colman, "	32 00	
F. P. Decrow, "	48 00	
J. L. Cunningham, sand,	20 00	
E. K. Blake, labor,	3 00	
		$665 42
Due from State,		$332 71

TOWN OFFICERS

F. I. Mortland, selectman, assessor, etc.,	$ 165 00	
Clifton Whittum, " " "	125 00	
James P. Nichols, " " "	150 00	
Alonzo J. Knowlton, superintendent of schools,	200 00	
Mildred Shute, librarian,	25 00	
W. M. Parse, town clerk,	15 00	
C. O. Sawyer, town treasurer,	100 00	
Frank A. Curtis, collector of taxes,	323 57	
James A. Colson, auditor,	6 00	
J. S. Cunningham, truant officer,	1 50	
Dr. S. C. Pattee, town physician,	20 00	
Dr. S. C. Pattee, board of health,	11 00	
		$1142 07

TOWN'S POOR

Mrs. Jas. E. Marden, board and care of Chas. Seavey,	$208 00
Fred E. Stinson, supplies for Chas. Seavey,	3 00
R. B. Ward, board and care of B. C. Towle,	168 00
W. M. Parse, supplies for B. C. Towle,	10 75
L. M. Kneeland, board and care of Fred Carr,	100 00
Elmer Webster, care of tramps,	8 00
F. A. Nye. burial of W. Towers received from State,	32 50
F. A. Nye, burial of T. Billings, received from State,	35 00
Edmund Ames, wood for Blake family,	3 75
F. E. Whitcomb, supplies for Blake family,	112 08
Geo. Partridge, wood for Blake family,	18 25
F. I. Mortland, pauper exp. to Rockland,	11 70
Mrs. Etta Nickerson, care of pauper,	1 50
W. E. Grinnell, care of tramps,	13 50
F. I. Mortland, trip to Rockland for Percy Brock,	4 30
Town of Prospect on account of W. McMann,	250 00
James P. Nichols, to get Percy Brock to hospital,	1 00
City of Rockland, on account of paupers,	56 50
Clement & Adams, supplies for paupers,	15 90
	$1,053 73

NOTE.—Settlement of Albert R. George Est. as follows:

Searsport, Jan. 1911.

SETTLEMENT OF THE ALBERT R. GEORGE EST.

Sale of real Est. by auction to J. F. Wheaton for	$280	
" " Pers'n'l property,	12 10	
	$292 10	$292 10

CONTRA

Satisfaction of mortgage held by James M. Towle,	$92	
Paid Albert Kane, auctioneer,	6 57	
" H. C. Buzzell,	10 36	
" Dunton & Morse,	5	
5% Comm. on $292.10,	14 60	
Court expenses, advertising, etc.,	26 50	
Balance paid to town of Searsport for pauper supplies,	137 07	
	$292 10	$292 10

INSANITY

Maine Insane Hospital, Augusta, Fred Matthews,	$17 31
" " " Melvina Colson,	13 29
	$30 60

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Searsport Hose Co.,	$211 80
A. L. Mosman, labor on engine,	7 45
Searsport Coal Co.,	17 80
James F. Coffin, watching Clements fire,	2 00
P. C. Harriman, watching Trundy fire,	1 00
Geo. A. Bowen, labor on engine house,	1 00
Henry Partridge, janitor,	23 00
E. A. Buker, repairs on engine,	5 60
F. N. Treat, labor on engine,	3 00
H. N. Colcord, labor on engine,	3 20
J. B. Black, labor on engine house,	5 50
Searsport Elec. Co.,	10 00
James F. Coffin, services as chief,	8 45
Chas. Hamilton, watching Trundy fire,	2 00
	$301 80

UNION HALL

J. M. Ausplund, labor on water pipe,	$ 8 75	
Timothy Porter, labor on water pipe,	8 75	
E. S. Pitcher, fixing piano,	3 00	
M. F. Wentworth, labor,	2 50	
Searsport Coal Co., coal,	65 45	
Searsport Elec. Co.,	76 19	
Eugene Shute, labor,	2 00	
A. E. Trundy, lumber,	6 14	
C. B. Deshon, labor,	3 75	
Michael Ward, labor,	13 00	
		$189 53
Rec'd for rent,		153 50

MEMORIAL SERVICE

J. W. Black, quarter-master of Freeman McGilvery Post, G. A. R. as per bill rendered,	$50 00

SEARSPORT ELECTRIC CO.

Street lights, 37 St. lights now,	$491 25

SEARSPORT WATER CO.

For use of hydrants,	$1,280 00

CIRCULATING LIBRARY

For books,	$5 00

ABATEMENTS

B. F. Colcord, collector, '08,	$33 53

INCIDENTALS

Loring, Short & Harmon, books for office,	$13 70
Thos. W. Burr Ptg. Co., town reports,	47 00
F. N. Treat, painting signs,	2 50
Edmund Ames, sheep killed by dogs,	4 00
Est. of Geo. F. Smith, office rent,	20 00
E. A. Sargent, freight bills,	1 25
James P. Nichols, tel. and expenses on town reports for 1909,	4 35
M. A. Cook, pails for board of health,	1 25
W. R. Gilkey & Son, teams for town use,	35 00
C. O. Sawyer & Co, hardware,	23 95
Warren Nickerson, watering trough,	3 00
Searsport National Bank, interest on town orders,	84 21
Elmer Webster, collecting dog tax, etc.,	12 00
Geo. W. Partridge, watering trough,	3 00
James P. Nichols, tel., postage and express,	5 10
E. C. Pike, sundries for town,	28 20
Edmund Ames, sheep killed by dogs,	8 00
Searsport Ball Team, police duty for July 4, 1910,	12 00
L. C. Eaton, sheep killed by dogs,	4 00
F. M. Perkins, police duty July 4, 1910,	2 00
H. C. Buzzell, legal services,	13 60

H. C. Buzzell, moderator,	4 00
J. B. Black, making street signs,	1 25
E. A. Sargent, trucking,	2 00
Est. Geo. F. Smith, rent of office,	20 00
Est. P. Pendleton, rent of library,	50 00
F. N. Treat, painting street signs,	2 00
L. W. Wentworth, elec. clerk,	2 00
E. A. Sargent, moving library books,	6 75
Searsport Heating Co., repairs on fountain,	5 00
Village Cem. Assn., care of town lot,	5 00
Elmer Webster, posting warrants,	3 00
Geo. A. Bowen, Elec. clerk,	2 00
Harry E. Merithew, Elec. clerk,	2 00
Archie Merithew, sheep killed by dogs,	4 00
W. M. Parse, return of births and deaths,	11 85
John Sullivan, Elec. clerk,	4 00
John B. Ames, blacksmith work,	22 00
C. O. Sawyer & Co., recording deed of Library,	85
Manley Foot, cleaning office,	1 50
A. E. Trundy, plank for Pest house,	19 37
Elmer Webster, warrants, etc.,	5 50
Geo. A. Bowen, Elec. clerk,	2 00
Manley Foot, taking wood to office,	40
W. F. Langill Ptg. Co., printing,	3 00
L. W. Wentworth, Elec. clerk,	2 00
F. B. Smith, supplies for office,	1 90
James P. Nichols, paper, postage, etc.,	3 85
New Eng. Tel. & Tel. Co.,	4 77
Rep. Jnl. Pub. Co., Brown Tail Moth ad.,	1 00
C. O. Sawyer & Co., Hardware,	128 97
	$ 650 07

SUMMARY OF BILLS PAID BY THE SELECTMEN DURING THE YEAR

Common schools,	$3,293 65	
Free high school,	1,174 00	
School books,	200 24	
School supplies and incidentals,	123 85	
School desks,	139 00	
Repairs and furnishings for school houses,	726 89	
Roads, labor,	2,323 84	
Winter breaking,	219 85	
Sidewalks,	511 67	
State road,	665 42	
Town officers,	1,142 07	
Town's poor,	1,053 73	
Insanity,	30 60	
Fire Department,	301 80	
Union Hall,	189 53	
Memorial service,	50 00	
Searsport Electric Co.,	491 25	
Searsport Water Co.,	1,280 00	
Circulating library,	5 00	
Abatements,	33 53	
Incidentals,	650 07	
		$14,605 99

REPORT OF B. F. COLCORD

Uncollected taxes, Feb. 20, 1910,		$59 77
Paid to treasurer,	$26 24	
Abated,	33 53	
		$59 77

REPORT OF F. A. CURTIS, Collector for 1909

Uncollected taxes Feb. 20, 1909,	$262 59	
Paid C. O. Sawyer, treasurer,	159 62	
Balance uncollected for 1909,		$102 97

REPORT OF F. A. CURTIS, COLLECTOR FOR 1910

Amount of 1910 tax committed,	$16,770 15	
1910 supplemental tax,	60 00	
		$16,830 15
Paid C. O. Sawyer, treasurer,		16,276 44
Balance due Feb. 11, 1911,		$553 71

Consisting of uncollected taxes as advertised in this report.

UNCOLLECTED TAXES FOR 1910

Eliza Carleton,	$ 3 23
Jonathan Colcord heirs,	6 45
Llewellyn Crocket,	5 95
Lucinda Dwelley heirs,	2 15
Clifton Ellis,	30 09
Will George,	35 58
Carl Howard,	9 45
Daniel M. Nichols,	4 08
Luecretei Nichols heirs,	12 90
John Closson,	5 62
P. Rich heirs,	6 45
Alonzo Seekins,	3 75
C. O. Seekins,	21 17
J. W. Smart,	5 75
John Sullivan,	8 60
Abner Warren,	10 75
Cole & Berson,	2 15
Leon Merrithew,	3 00
E. O. Bailey,	3 00
Bert Billings,	3 00
Percy Brock,	3 00
Albert Card,	3 00
John Flinton,	3 00
Frank Hamilton,	3 00
Reed Lowell,	4 61
Joe Morrow,	3 00

Lewis W. Rich,	3 00	
W. P. Rich,	3 00	
Arthur Ridley,	3 00	
Lester Robinson,	3 00	
John Merriman,	3 00	
Ed. Ripley,	3 00	
Bert Weymouth,	4 08	
W. Shepley,	3 00	
Lillian E. Cassen,	1 08	
W. S. Marshall,	1 08	
A. T. Peabody,	2 15	
Mrs. Brailey,	1 08	
J. H. Leathers,	1 08	
Abbie Nickerson,	1 08	
W. H. Nickerson,	1 29	
J. Y. Marden,	54	
G. W. Cunningham,	54	
Michael Andrews,	1 93	
Fractional parts uncollected taxes,	314 05	
		$553 71

Treasurer's Report

C. O. SAWYER, Town Treasurer.

RECEIPTS

Cash in treasury Feb. 17th, 1910	$ 84 76
Rec'd of B. F. Colcord, bal. due on taxes	59 77
" F. A. Curtis, col. taxes of 1910	16,276 44
" " " " " " 1909	159 62
" " " " interest on taxes of 1910	42 89
" for rent of Union hall	153 50
" of state treasurer, dog licenses refunded	74 03
" " " burial of soldiers	32 50
" " " railroad and telegraph tax	28 75
" " " common school fund	1,195 29
" " " school fund and mill tax	1,499 56
" Wm. M. Parse, town clerk, dog licenses, 1910	95 00
" C. O. Sawyer & Co., stove from library	2 50
" B. F. Colcord, amt. from A. R. George estate	137 07
" A. J. Knowlton, book sold and damage to books	1 31
" interest on deposits in bank	29 19
" Mrs. M. F. C. Taylor, amt. of tax deeds on Crosby place	9 13
" Mrs. Etta Chapin, amt. of tax deed	7 20
" Dunton & Morse, amt. of tax deeds of 1907, 1908 and 1909 on estate of Sarah Sawyer	7 25
" Searsport Savings Bank, amt. of tax deeds of 1907, 1908 and 1909 on estate of Margaret Sawyer	17 00
" A. E. Brown, pool room license for 1910	10 00
	$19,922 76

DISBURSEMENTS

Paid State treasurer, state tax of 1910	$ 3,726 24
State treasurer, dog licenses of 1910	95 00
County treasurer, county tax of 1910	1,169 10
outstanding orders of 1909	1,776 15
town orders of 1910	12,632 10
Searsport National Bank, safe deposit box	2 50
state pensions of 1910	408 00
	$19,809 09
Cash in treasury, Feb. 11, 1911	113 67
	$19,922 76

CEMETERY TRUST FUNDS

Cyrus True Fund, 1000 B. & A. R. R. Bond, $970.00 and cash in Bank $30.00,	$1000 00
Mary A. Nichols fund, 1 share Searsport Nat'l Bank Stock,	100 00
James Staples fund, cash in Belfast Savings Bank,	250 00
Samuel and Wm. Butman fund, " "	150 00
Geo. W. Colson, " " "	100 00
Jeremiah Merithew fund, cash in Searsport Savings Bank,	100 00
John C. Beals, " " "	150 00
Daniel Sullivan, " " "	100 00
Samuel Curtis, Jr., " " "	100 00
Charles F. Gordon, "	100 00
Abbie J. Sargent, "	100 00
B. F. Pendleton, "	1000 00
Jas. G. Pendleton, "	200 00
Jas. W. Mosman, "	100 00
Harriet H. McGilvery, "	100 00
Lydia C. Carver, "	34 00
Hannah C. McGilvery, "	200 00
John W. McGilvery, "	150 00
Putnam Simonton, "	100 00

B. F. & E. M. Stevens	fund,	50 00
Amos H. Ellis,	"	75 00
D. S. Goodell,	"	125 00
Otis Black,	"	100 00
John Sullivan,	"	50 00
G. W. Hichborn,	"	200 00
Eli O. Colson,	"	25 00
Joseph Pendleton,	"	100 00
Joseph Park,	"	100 00
M. P. Erskine,	"	100 00
David Towle,	"	50 00
Joseph Wallnutt,	"	100 00
Edna Black,	"	100 00
C. F. Hill,	"	100 00
Mary Kane,	"	50 00
Jas. H. Pendleton,	"	75 00
Mrs. Evalina Carver,	"	100 00
Marshall Dutch,	"	50 00
L. Curtis,	"	120 62
Rufus E. Sargent,	" Savings Dept. Searsport Nat'l Bank,	50 00
Thurston Cemetery fund,	Savings Dept. Searsport Nat'l Bank,	200 00
		$6054 62

TRUST FUNDS

Cyrus True, Searsport library fund,	$500 92	
Hannah T. Pendleton, " "	100 00	
		$600 92

FINANCIAL STANDING OF THE TOWN FEB. 11, 1911

Assets

Due from F. A. Curtis, col. 1909,	$ 102 97
Due from F. A. Curtis, col. 1910,	553 71
Due from C. O. Sawyer, treas.,	113 67
Tax deeds and valued at,	100 00
Sidewalk plank on hand,	60 00
Due from State, High school,	500 00
" " State pension,	408 00
" " State road,	332 71
	$2,171 06

Liabilities

Outstanding orders,	1,973 89
Making a balance of	$197 17
Unexpended Free High School,	322 70

We respectfully recommend that the town raise for the ensuing year:—

For common schools,	$1,000 00
free high school,	750 00
poor and other town expenses,	2,000 00
highway,	2,500 00
repairs on sidewalks,	400 00
school books,	200 00
supplies and incidentals,	75 00
repairs on school houses,	450 00
winter breaking,	500 00
superintendent of schools,	200 00

Respectfully submitted.

FRANK I. MORTLAND,
CLIFTON WHITTUM,
JAMES P. NICHOLS,
} Selectmen of Searsport.

I have examined the foregoing accounts, find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

JAMES A. COLSON,
Auditor.

Report of the Superintending School Committee
AND
Superintendent of Schools

MEMBERS OF COMMITTEE	TERM EXPIRES
Capt. F. I. Pendleton,	1913
Capt. B. F. Colcord,	1912
Mr. E. A. Buker,	1911

Organization

Chairman, Capt. B. F. Colcord.

Text Book Committee, Capt. B. F. Colcord and Supt. of Schools.

Committee on Repairs and Purchase of Fuel, Capt. B. F. Colcord.

School Calendar

Winter term (1910) closed March 4th.

Spring term opened March 21st.

Spring term closed June 10th.

Fall term opened September 12th.

Fall term closed December 2d.

Fall term High school closed December 16th.

Winter term (1911) opened January 3d.

Holidays—Patriots' Day, April 19th; Memorial Day, May 30th; County Teachers' Association, May 19th; Visiting Day, October 26th; State Teachers' Association, Oct. 27th and 28th; Thanksgiving Day and Friday following; New Year's Day, Jan. 1st.

STATEMENT OF SCHOOL ACCOUNT FOR YEAR ENDING FEB. 11, 1911

GENERAL SCHOOL PURPOSES

Appropriations and Receipts

Amount raised by town	$1,500 00	
State mill tax	1,499 56	
Common school (State)	1,195 29	
Damage to books, etc.	1 31	
Total		$4,196 16

DISBURSEMENTS

Teachers' salaries	$2,228 85	
Janitors	193 70	
Tuition	37 75	
Transportation	556 00	
Fuel	277 35	
Total		3,293 65
Balance Feb. 11, 1911		$902 51

Note—The above report is for a school year of 33 weeks.

SPECIAL APPROPRIATIONS

Free High School

Balance from last year	$196 70	
Raised by town	800 00	
Received from State	500 00	
Total		$1,496 70
Paid for salaries		1,174 00
Balance		$322 70

Free Text Books

Raised by town	$200 00	
Amount expended	200 24	
Overdraft		$ 24

Supplies and Incidentals

Amount raised by town	$100 00	
Amount expended	123 85	
Overdraft		$23 85

Repairs

Amount raised by town	$450 00	
Special for desks	137 00	
Total		$587 00
Amount expended		865 89
Overdraft		$278 89

STATISTICS

School	No. Registered	Aver. Number	Aver. Attendance	Percent of Attend'ce	Amt. Pd. for Instr.	Av. Cost Per Pupil	No. Visits by Citizens	No. Visits by Supt.	No. Tardy Marks
High	34	30.3	26.8	88.4	$1229	$40.56	64	33	781
Grammar	36	35	30.1	86	330	9.42	41	37	123
Intermediate	23	21.3	18.5	86.8	330	15.49	34	25	103
Primary	31	28.3	24.6	86.9	312	11.02	31	30	76
Nichols	28	25	21.4	85.6	297	11.08	26	11	107
Park	15	13.6	10.8	79.4	231	16.98	45	12	93
Porter	21	19	13.8	72.6	264	13.89	5	10	205
Mt. Ephraim	15	12	10.4	86.6	264	22	00	9	11
N. Searsport	16	15.6	12.8	82	258.85	16.57	49	10	15

Number of weeks in common schools from Feb. 14, 1910 to Feb. 11, 1911, 33

Number of weeks in high school from Feb. 14, 1910 to Feb. 11, 1911, 35

Average cost per pupil in common schools, $16.51

" " high school, $46.72

General Statistics

Population of Town, 1,444
Number of persons between the ages of five and twenty-one, 378.
Number of different pupils in school, 219.
Percentage of school population attending school, 58%
Number of weeks of schooling, 33.
Average wages of teachers per week, $8.625.
Number of Normal school graduates employed, 2.
Number of College Graduates employed, 1.
Number holding State Teachers' Certificates, 2.

ESTIMATES FOR COMING YEAR

General school purposes	$1,000 00
High school	750 00
Free text books	200 00
Apparatus and reference books for high school	100 00
Supplies and incidentals	75 00
Repairs	450 00

We also recommend that some action be taken relative to heating the Union school house and the installation of flush closets.

B. F. COLCORD,
F. I. PENDLETON, } School Committee.
E. A. BUKER,

Report of the Superintendent of Schools

Mr. Chairman and Gentlemen:—

I hereby submit my second annual report of the Searsport Public Schools for the year ending Feb. 11, 1911.

It will be the purpose of this report to review the local school history, together with some statements and recommendations for the future.

The last school census shows 378 children in town between the ages of five and twenty-one, this being an increase of thirty-five.

The grading of the schools and the classification of the scholars, mentioned in my last report, has proved very satisfactory to the majority after the course became somewhat established and regulated. The pupils have a minimum amount of work to accomplish satisfactorily in order to be entitled to advance to a higher class. This work must be done by the pupils guided by the teacher.

The teachers cannot do the work for the pupils however much they may desire to do so or the parents may wish to have them. The pupils have a very important part to perform in acquiring knowledge.

The effort commenced last year has not been abated to raise the standard of efficiency of our schools. We do not presume to think that we have reached the standard you may have set for us or that which we outlined for ourselves. But we believe there has been a reasonable and healthy growth.

The winter and spring terms had little interruption.

The work of the fall term was broken into by colds and a few cases of diphtheria. The latter caused the Board of Health to close the schools for a time in order to check the spread of the disease and to fumigate the school buildings. It was so near the close of the fall term that the School Committee decided not to reopen the schools till the winter term, January 3, 1911.

The school at North Searsport was closed one week of the fall term on account of illness of the teacher, therefore this school has had one less week than the others.

Three of the schools were closed May 19th for the teachers to attend the County Teachers' Association which met at Brooks.

All but three teachers attended the State Teachers' Association held in Bangor, Oct. 27, 28. They also availed themselves of the opportunity to visit the Bangor and Brewer schools, Oct. 26th.

Miss Williams had charge of the children during the noon intermission for the spring term and Mr. Blake has had charge for the greater part of the fall and winter terms.

TEACHERS

At the close of the spring term and during the summer vacation the following resignations occurred: Miss Williams, to enter a more enjoyable vocation; Ava Kingsbury, to complete her normal school education; Edith M. Larrabee, assistant for spring term in high school, on account of sickness in family. These positions were filled respectively as follows: by Annie G. Gilkey, Louise A. Kingsbury, and G. Barbara Pfaff.

Miss Kingsbury resigned at the close of the fall term on account of illness and Ever M. Holt of Canaan was engaged to fill the vacancy.

Miss MacDonald was ill the last few weeks of the spring term and her position was filled by Mrs. Emma Davis as substitute.

The present teaching force is, Principal of High school, Alfred C. Blake, assistant, G. Barbara Pfaff; Grammar school, Ethel M. Dodge; Intermediate, Ida B. MacDonald; Primary, Annie G. Gilkey; Nichols, Abbie Chase; Park, Lillias G. Ford; Porter, Priscilla Nickels; Mt. Ephraim, Emma Nickels; North Searsport, Ever M. Holt.

SCHOOL BOOKS

Books purchased for the common schools have been arithmetics, readers, grammars, language books and geographies; for the high school algebras, geometries, beginners' Latin, French Grammars,

French stories, books in English and American literature, physical geographies, geologies and a large dictionary and atlas. Part of the cost of the dictionary and atlas was a gift to the school.

We have received credit for old books used in exchange for those purchased to the amount of $21.00.

COURSE OF STUDY

The same course of study has been followed as last year with the addition of drawing. We have not accomplished much in this important subject owing to the fact that the teachers need a better outline of work and instruction than is now possible for the superintendent to give. I would suggest the employment of a drawing teacher for one day in each week for this work.

MEDICAL INSPECTION

From the teachers' reports, we get the following results: Number of children examined 188; Number found with defective eyes 17; Number found with defective hearing 4. Number of parents notified 17.

HIGH SCHOOL

The high school for the past year has been under the principalship of Alfred C. Blake with one assistant. The school has been small, at no time registering more than thirty-four pupils. These have been doing good honest work but with some it has been quite a struggle to keep up with the pace set by the State for a class "A" high school. Pluck and perseverance have won in nearly all cases. The school still holds the approval of the State for class " A."

The books purchased for the past year have cost $111.83 and the apparatus for the laboratories $66.95.

The tables in the laboratories are in an unfinished state. These tables should be completed and some provision made for more light in the laboratories.

We shall need to purchase more apparatus for the coming year and some reference books for the science department.

For a more detailed account of the high school, I refer you to Mr. Blake's report which is appended.

REPAIRS

This item has been under the charge of the Chairman of the Committee, Cap. B. F. Colcord. Thirty-five single adjustable desks and a teacher's desk were purchased for the primary school. Quite a good deal of work was done in finishing off the room for laboratories in the high school department. Extensive but much needed repairs were made on the Porter and Nichols school buildings. Minor repairs were made on the other school buildings in town.

SUGGESTIONS AND NEEDED REPAIRS

Owing to the fact that the schools have been closed several times because they could not be made comfortable by the present means of heating, I would suggest that some action be taken whereby the Union school building can be heated. This could be accomplished by installing a steam or hot water plant. If this is done, some good system of ventilation should be installed at the same time.

The difficulty arising from the present arrangement of out-buildings, their unsanitary condition and location leads me to suggest that modern flush closets be placed in the cellar of the Union school house after the cellar bottom has been cemented. I am sure that this will not be a very expensive job but of untold value.

The Union building needs some new sash and outside windows or better, the Chandler weather strips.

The intermediate and grammar school rooms should have new desks for the children—40 in the grammar and 35 in the intermediate. This building needs to have something done to the walls as the plastering is in bad condition. Steel is the most satisfactory for the ceilings.

A new floor is much needed in the Nichols school and suitable desks should be purchased as those now in use are too large, unadjustable and in bad condition.

The Porter school must be supplied with a new stove.

CONCLUSION

I take this opportunity to express my appreciation of the conscientious work done by the teachers and their co-operation in the effort for the betterment of our schools; and to tender to you, Superintending School Committee, sincere thanks for your support and assistance in my varied duties during the past year.

Respectfully submitted.

ALONZO J. KNOWLTON,
Superintendent of Schools.

Searsport, Me., Feb. 14, 1911.

ALONZO J. KNOWLTON, Supt. of Schools, Searsport, Maine.

DEAR SIR:

I herewith tender my second annual report as Principal of Searsport High school for the municipal year ending March 1, 1911. There appears to have been an increased interest shown in our school the past year as recorded by our list of visitors. A year ago one parent and about 15 other persons visited the school. During the past year we have received 18 visits from the parents with a total of 85 visitors up to the present time. We shall be glad to see a still greater increase the coming year. The interest of the pupils varies to quite an extent with the interest shown by the parents and friends of the school. We are also glad to note and report a gradual increase of interest shown by the pupils in their class-room work. Teachers alone cannot make an interesting and interested school. They must have the hearty co-operation of the parents and citizens. Regular monthly visitors' days have been arranged and these have brought quite a number to the schools. It is to be regretted that so many things have served to interfere with our school work the past year. Since September our school has been closed two and one-half weeks due to holidays and the presence of diphtheria in the village. Lack of fuel and unsatisfactory heating arrangements have been responsible for the loss of at least another two weeks of time. Not a few mornings it has been impossible to open school at the appointed time on account of the temperature of the rooms and when the schools were called to order the temperature has often been between 50 and 60 degrees with a few occasions when it was less than this lower record.

In order to ascertain whether our rooms could be satisfactorily heated by the present arrangement, I made the following test, selecting a cold day but one which was by no means the coldest. Simultaneous records of the temperature were kept in two places, one about 20 feet from the stove and another less than ten feet from it. In order to raise the first thermometer to a temperature of 68, it was necessary to raise the other to 94.

ENROLLMENT

The following schedule shows our enrollment the past year:

	Spring	Fall	Winter
Seniors,	8	2	2
Juniors,	8	6	6
Sophomores,	1	8	8
Freshmen,	14	10	10
	31	26	26

REFERENCE BOOKS

A French dictionary and a copy of Webster's New International Dictionary have been added to our reference books. This last was in part the gift of Dr. E. Hopkins, a former citizen. The greatest need of the school of this nature at present is a good encyclopedia. In order to meet the state requirements there must be purchased a selection of reference books for the use of the science classes. This is the only requirement of the state which we have made no attempt to meet.

TEXT BOOKS

During the past year a few greatly needed changes in our text-books have been made, and to this extent we believe we have as good a selection as can be found in any school. Very few changes another year will need to be made. A new text for the Rhetoric classes and one for the Modern History class should be secured. Modern History has never been taught in the school.

COURSE OF STUDY

The courses of study adopted a year ago have served us well and been favorably received and with only a few criticisms. Another year's work in French should be added to meet the college entrance requirements. We believe introductory science work should be introduced for the Freshman class of the English course. We should also like to see a year's work in Biology for the Sophomore class. A great many have shown a desire to have an elementary commercial course made a part of our curriculum and we think this could be done to advantage and at no very great expense.

LABORATORY EQUIPMENT

Our new laboratory which was begun last year has been nearly completed and when this is done there will be few schools in towns of this size in the state better equipped in this respect. Water and gas for the use of the Chemistry classes have been installed. A supply of physical and chemical apparatus has been supplied. To this an addition should be made each year until a complete equipment has been secured. Some arrangement should be made for lighting this room as well as the main study room. Suitable seats should be procured for the class room. The expense for this would not be great.

HEATING AND SANITARY CONDITIONS

I referred to these matters in my report to you a year ago. I have given the matter considerable thought during the past year and I believe there exists at the present time a strong feeling that something should be done to bring about an improvement in existing conditions. We have a good building and with the expenditure of a comparativly small amount it can be properly heated and put in sanitary condition. We believe the building should be heated by a steam plant in the basement by a combination of direct and indirect methods. The remainder of the basement should be divided off for toilet rooms and dressing and play rooms. I have prepared plans and am now at work on estimates of the expense necessary to procure these results. I believe these changes are the most important of any at the present time.

Before I close I wish to say that the schools are to receive great assistance from the opportunities offered by the Carver Memorial Library. Some of our classes are already making use of the books found there. It is hoped that other books may soon be added so that other classes may have suitable reference books for their use

I desire in closing to express my thanks and appreciation to you and the School Board for your untiring efforts in our behalf.

Respectfully submitted.

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